1FW

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michael LeJeune, Jason Hensley, Thomas Kuckhahn,

Donald Hall, Richard Wesen, and Joseph Novotny

Application No.:

10/815087

Filed:

March 31, 2004

For:

SEGMENTED CONCRETE SCREED

Group Art Unit:

Not Assigned

Mail Stop <u>Amendment</u> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Docket No.: F02.2B-11374-US01

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, in addition to this 2 page transmittal letter, we are submitting the attached: 4 Page Information Disclosure Statement; 1 Page List of References and Return Postcard.

- 2. With respect to fees:
 - No additional fee is required.
 - □ Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$
 - Example Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

3. CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefore.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

Date: June 1, 2004

By:_

Scott Q. Vidas

Registration No.: 30812

6109 Blue Circle Drive, Suite 2000 Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185 Telephone: (952) 563-3000 Facsimile: (952) 563-3001

raesimile. (932) 303-3001

f:\wpwork\sqv\11374us01_tra_20040608.doc

Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8: I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s) as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as FIRST CLASS MAIL, addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patent, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 2004.

Robin Peddieson

Docket No.: F02.2B-11374-US01



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michael LeJeune, Jason Hensley, Thomas Kuckhahn, Donald

Hall, Richard Wesen, and Joseph Novotny

Application No.:

10/815087

Filed:

March 31, 2004

For:

SEGMENTED CONCRETE SCREED

Group Art Unit:

Not Yet Assigned

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Listed below or on an attached form listing the cited references and/or a copy of a PTO-892 form is information known to applicant(s). A copy of each listed publication, U.S. patent, foreign patent and U.S. patent application is being submitted herewith, along with a concise explanation of information in a foreign language, if any, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98, except that U.S. applications from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120, and documents cited in such priority applications, may be omitted from the enclosures pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d). Applicant's submission of copies of U.S. applications does not constitute a waiver of the confidentiality of such applications. As such, Applicant requests that any copies of unpublished US applications submitted herewith be excluded from the file wrapper pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.14.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed information be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the above-identified application. If the form listing the cited references or PTO-892 from a prior application is enclosed, the Examiner is requested to initial and return it in accordance with MPEP §609.

This statement is not intended to represent that a search has been made or that the information cited in the statement is prior art, or is or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in §1.56.

Applications that are listed on the accompanying form listing the cited references as related by priority are related by priority claim under 35 USC §120. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(d), no copies of cited art in a previous application(s) to which priority was claimed need be submitted. Applicant is providing copies of the form listing the cited references and/or 892 forms from these cases.

<u>X</u>	I. This state	ment qualities as a no-fee information Disclosure Statement under 3/ C.F.R.				
§1.97	(b) or otherwis	e because to the knowledge of the undersigned attorney it is being filed				
(check	c all that apply):				
	<u>X</u> (1)	within 3 months of the filing date of the application (other than a CPA); on				
	(2)	within 3 months of entry of the national stage; or				
	<u>X</u> (3)	before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits;				
	(4)	before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for				
		continued examination (RCE) under §1.114;				
	(5)	as part of a continued prosecution application (CPA); or				
	(6)	during the period of a suspension of action for a CPA under 37 C.F.R.				
		§1.103(b).				
	II. This state	ement is believed to require a fee or the submission of a certification under				
	37 C.F.R. §1	.97 (c) or otherwise. If this statement is being filed after the latest of: (1)				
	three months beyond the filing date of a national application (other than CPA); (2) three					
	months beyo	nd the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an				
	international	application; (3) the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; (4) the				
· ·	mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination					
	under §1.114; or (5) after the filing of a request for a continued prosecution application,					
	but before the mailing date of the earlier of a final office action under §1.113, a notice of					
	allowance under §1.311 or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application,					
	then:					
	(1)	a certification as specified in §1.97(e) is provided below; or				
	(2)	a fee of \$180.00 as set forth in §1.17(p) is authorized below, enclosed, or				
		included with the payment of other papers filed together with this				
		statement.				

	_ III. 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d). If this statement is being filed after the mailing date of the						
	earlier of a final office action under §1.113, a notice of allowance under §1.311, or a						
	action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, but before payment of the						
	issue fee, then:						
	(1) a certification as specified in §1.97(e) is completed below; and						
	(2) a fee of \$180.00 as set forth in §1.17(p) is authorized below, enclosed, or						
	included with payment of other papers filed together with this statement.						
<u>X</u>	IV. Fee Authorization. If any fee is due for consideration of this Information Disclosure						
	Statement and full payment has not been submitted herewith, regardless of which boxes						
	have been checked above, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any						
	dditional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 22-0350.						
	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment associated with this						
	communication to Deposit Account No. 22-0350.						
If para	agraph II.1 or III is checked, also check one of the paragraphs below						
	I hereby certify, under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1), that each item of information contained in						
	this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign						
patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months							
	date of the filing of this information disclosure statement.						
	This communication was not received by any individual designated in §						
	1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.						
	I hereby certify, under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(2), that no item of information contained in the						
	information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent						
	office in a counterpart foreign application, and to the knowledge of the person signing the						
	statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the						
	information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 1.56(c) more						
	than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.						
For the	e purpose of this certification, Applicant considers the PCT International Search Authority						
to cons	stitute a foreign patent office.						

If this Information Disclosure Statement has been submitted without the appropriate box checked, Applicant requests that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered nevertheless if it is timely submitted under any of the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 or otherwise. Finally, if any petition is necessary to ensure consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant requests that this be treated as such a petition.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

Date: June 8¹, 2004

Scott O. Vic

Registration No.: 30812

6109 Blue Circle Drive, Suite 2000 Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185 Telephone: (952) 563-3000

Facsimile: (952) 563-3001

SQV/des

f:\wpwork\sqv\11374us01 ids 20040608.doc

LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICANT'S FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Use several sheets if necessary)

ATTY DOCKET NO.: F02.2B-11374-US01

APPLICATION NO.: 10/815087

APPLICANT: Michael LeJeune, Jason Hensley, Thomas Kuckhahn, Donald Hall,

Richard Wesen, and Joseph Novotny

FILING DATE: March 31, 2004

GROUP: Not Assigned

	RENC	E DESIGNATION		PATENT AND PUBLISHE		
EXAM'S INIT.		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	3217375	11/16/65	C. H. Kinnard		
	AB	3523343	8/11/70	W. E. Mitchell		
	AC	4004874	1/25/77	Foster	425/438	
	AD	4289293	9/15/81	Cashion	249/74	
	AE	4457682	7/03/84	Nash, et al.	425/219	
•	AF	20030115822 A1	6/26/03	Lejeune, Michael, et al.	52/677	
	AG					
•	AH					
* • *	AI					
	AJ					
	AK					
,	AL					
]	FOREIGN P	ATENT DOCUMENTS		
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY		
	BA					
	BB					
	BC				·	
	BD					
	BE					
· · ·		OTHER ART (I	including Au	thor, Title, Date, Pertinent 1	Pages, Ect.)	·
•	CA					
•	СВ					
	CC					
EXAMINER		DATE CONSIDERED				

not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.